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PRESS RELEASE

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NATURE OF CALL: ASSAULT W/DEADLY WEAPON
LOCATION OF CALL: MAIDU DRIVE, AUBURN
CASE NUMBER: SO 01 4114
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SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:

At approximately 2030 hours Sunday night the Sheriff's Office received a call of a fight with shots fired on Maidu Drive in Auburn. Auburn Police also responded to the call and made contact with the victims of the shooting. Investigation revealed the victims and suspects had an altercation earlier in the day at the Confluence of the American River that escalated into a planned fight. The parties involved planned on meeting at the Maidu location later in the day to settle the altercation. It appears one of the groups at the river fired a paint ball gun at a member of the other group striking him in the throat. There were some words exchanged and plans were made to settle the incident later.

When the two groups arrived in the Maidu area, one of the victims heard a gunshot and heard a bullet pass over his head. He and his friends left the area and contacted Law Enforcement. Further investigation determined one individual fired as many as 10 shots from a .22 caliber rifle into the group containing the victim. Several of these shots struck vehicles, but no victims were hit by the gunfire. After witness interviews and gathering of physical evidence, investigators were able to identify the shooter.

At approximately 2:40 AM on Monday, 3-12-2001, deputies arrested a 17 year old Auburn youth and booked him into the Placer County Juvenile Hall. He was charged with Assault w/Deadly Weapon and Shooting at an Occupied Vehicle. The investigation continues as detectives conduct more interviews to determine if any others are involved in the shooting.

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